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<p>ART UNIT: 1616 EXAMINER: Ernst V. Arnold APPLICANT: Max R. Motyka SERIAL NO.: 10/828,827 FILED: 04/21/2004 CONFIRM. NO.: 5299 FOR: HYPOALLERGENIC METAL AMINO ACID CHELATES AND METAL AMINO ACID CHELATE- CONTAINING COMPOSITIONS</p>	<p>AMENDMENT/RESPONSE</p> <p>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8</p> <p>DATE OF DEPOSIT: 10/24/2006</p> <p>I hereby certify that this paper or fee (along with any paper or fee referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p><i>Brenda Wiseman</i> Brenda Wiseman</p>
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Sir:

The present amendments and remarks are in response to the July 24, 2006 Office Action where the Examiner rejected claims 1-54. A request for continued examination (RCE) and appropriate fee authorization is filed herewith. Before reconsideration of the present Application, please enter this Amendment and consider the accompanying responsive remarks.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS FOR AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims in the manner indicated below. In the following amendments, an underline is used to indicate added text, and strikeouts are used to indicate deleted text. Brackets may also be used for deleted text or characters when strikeouts are not sufficiently clear, e.g., such as striking out a hyphen. Claims 1, 19, 39, and 46 have been amended in accordance with the embodiments of the current invention.

Specific support for these claims can be found in the specification on page 5, lines 9-29; page 6, lines 1-20; page 9, lines 14-29; and page 10, lines 1-20. The amendments do not add any new material but clarify the methods and compositions of the present invention as described in the present application.